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SUBJ: TUTANKHAMUN EXHIBIT

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1. AT ALVIN AILEY DANCE BALLET PERFORMANCE, AMBASSADOR HAD OPPORTUNITY DISCUSS REFERENCE SUBJECT WITH MINCULTURE EL-SAWI. TOLD HIM METROPOLITAN NOT WILLING HANDLE SAN FRANCISCO STOP. SUGGESTED THAT WHEN IAN WHITE ARRIVES NEXT FEW DAYS, MINISTER SHOULD TRY TO WORK OUT SOMETHING WITH WHITE ON WHO WILL HANDLE SF STOP. EL-SAWI SEEMED SURPRISED THAT METROPOLITAN UNWILLING TO DO SO. KEPT ASKING WHY. TOLD HIM OUR UNDERSTANDING METROPOLITAN BELIEVES ITS RESOURCES ALREADY OVERTAXED AND, THEREFORE, UNWILLING ASSUME OFFICIAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR ADDITIONAL STOP. CONCEIVABLY MINISTER AND/OR CITY OF SAN FRANCISCO MIGHT BE ABLE PERSUADE MET TO RECONSIDER, BUT COULD NOT BE SURE. SOONER MINCULTURE DISCUSSED MATTER WITH MET, THE BETTER. AMBASSADOR SUGGESTED MINCULTURE MIGHT WISH INVITE MET REPRESENTATIVE TO COME TO CAIRO TO DISCUSS SUBJECT AND OTHER MATTERS OF MUTUAL INTEREST. EL-SAWI AUTHORIZED AMBASSADOR CONVEY INVITATION TO METROPOLITAN SEND REPRESENTATIVE. DO NOT KNOW IF HOVING STILL AUTHORIZED SPEAK FOR MET. IF SO, VISIT BY HOVING DESIRABLE. IF NOT, VISIT BY SENIOR MET OFFICIAL SHOULD BE CONSIDERED.

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2. ALSO TOLD EL-SAWI THAT TUTANKHAMUN AGREEMENT WILL PROBABLY HAVE TO BE AMENDED TO INCLUDE SAN FRANCISCO. HE SAW NO PROBLEM ON THAT SCORE AND SAID HE WILL AWAIT OUR PROPOSED LANGUAGE. HE WAS UNSURE WHETHER, ON GOE SIDE, AMENDMENT TO BE ARRANGED THROUGH MINCULTURE OR MFA. THIS CAN BE WORKED OUT IN DUE COURSE.

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